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3 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
4 FOR

5 SENATE BILL NO. 359

By: Pugh of the Senate

and

6 Lowe (Dick) of the House

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9 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

10 [school funding - State Aid funding formula -
11 effective date]

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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 18-107, is
15 amended to read as follows:

16 Section 18-107. As used in this title:

17 1. ~~"Average Daily Attendance"~~ "Average daily attendance" (ADA)
18 means the legal average number of pupils, early childhood education
19 programs through grade twelve, in a school district during a school
20 year as determined pursuant to the provisions of Section 18-111 of
21 this title. A day of school for early childhood education programs
22 and kindergarten shall be at least two and one-half (2 1/2) hours
23 and, for early childhood education, may be six (6) hours.;

1 2. ~~"Average Daily Membership"~~ "Average daily membership" (ADM)
2 means the average number of pupils present and absent in a school
3 district during a school year. ~~Average Daily Membership~~ daily
4 membership shall be calculated by dividing the sum of the pupil's
5 total days present and total days absent by the number of days
6 taught.

7 a. A pupil who has been absent without excuse ten (10)
8 consecutive days shall be taken off the roll beginning
9 the eleventh day and thereafter shall not be
10 considered in a district's ~~average daily membership~~
11 ADM calculation until the pupil is placed on the roll
12 in the district. For the purpose of this ~~paragraph~~
13 subparagraph, consecutive days means days for which
14 enrollment is recorded.

15 b. A pupil enrolled in a statewide virtual charter school
16 who is behind pace and has not completed instructional
17 activity as defined by Section 3-145.8 of this title
18 for a fifteen-school-day period, without excuse as
19 authorized by Section 10-105 of this title, shall be
20 taken off the roll beginning the sixteenth day and
21 thereafter shall not be considered in the virtual
22 charter school's ~~Average Daily Membership~~ ADM
23 calculation until the pupil is placed on the roll in
24 the virtual charter school; and

1 3. ~~“Total Adjusted Assessed Valuation” means the sum of public~~
2 ~~service property assessed valuation, personal property assessed~~
3 ~~valuation and real property assessed valuation as adjusted pursuant~~
4 ~~to the provisions of Section 18-109.1 of this title.~~

5 4. “Eighty-five percent (85%) of maximum allowable”, for the
6 purpose of assessing class size penalty pursuant to Sections 18-
7 113.1 and 18-113.2 of this title, means eighty-five percent (85%) of
8 ten percent (10%) of the preceding year’s net assessed valuation of
9 a school district. The calculation of indebtedness as provided for
10 in paragraph a of subsection G F of Section 18-113.1 and
11 subparagraph a of paragraph 4 of subsection A of Section 18-113.2 of
12 this title shall include the outstanding principal amount of bonds
13 issued by the school district plus the principal amount of any bonds
14 authorized by a vote of the people for issuance but not yet issued
15 by the school district.

16 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 18-200.1, as
17 last amended by Section 2, Chapter 488, O.S.L. 2021, is amended to
18 read as follows:

19 Section 18-200.1. A. Beginning with the ~~2022-2023~~ 2024-2025
20 school year, and each school year thereafter, each school district
21 shall have its initial allocation of State Aid calculated based on
22 the ad valorem tax and state dedicated revenues actually collected
23 during the preceding fiscal year, ~~the adjusted assessed valuation of~~
24 ~~the preceding year~~ and the weighted average daily membership for the

1 school district of the preceding school year. Each school district
2 shall submit the following data based on the first nine (9) weeks,
3 to be used in the calculation of the average daily membership of the
4 school district:

- 5 1. Student enrollment by grade level;
- 6 2. Pupil category counts; and
- 7 3. Transportation supplement data.

8 On or before December 30, the State Department of Education
9 shall determine each school district's current year allocation
10 pursuant to subsection D of this section. The State Department of
11 Education shall complete an audit, using procedures established by
12 the Department, of the student enrollment by grade level data, pupil
13 category counts, and transportation supplement data to be used in
14 the State Aid Formula pursuant to subsection D of this section by
15 December 1 and by January 15 shall notify each school district of
16 the district's final State Aid allocation for the current school
17 year. The January payment of State Aid and each subsequent payment
18 for the remainder of the school year shall be based on the final
19 State Aid allocation as calculated in subsection D of this section.
20 Except for reductions made due to the assessment of penalties by the
21 State Department of Education according to law, the January payment
22 of State Aid and each subsequent payment for the remainder of the
23 school year shall not decrease by an amount more than the amount
24 that the current chargeable revenue increases for that district.

1 B. The State Department of Education shall retain not less than
2 ~~one and one-half percent (1 1/2%)~~ four percent (4%) of the total
3 funds appropriated for financial support of schools, to be used to
4 make midyear adjustments in State Aid and which shall be reflected
5 in the final allocations. If the amount of appropriated funds,
6 including the ~~one and one-half percent (1 1/2%)~~ four percent (4%)
7 retained, remaining after January 1 of each year is not sufficient
8 to fully fund the final allocations, the Department shall
9 recalculate each school district's remaining allocation pursuant to
10 subsection D of this section using the reduced amount of
11 appropriated funds.

12 C. On and after July 1, 1997, the amount of State Aid each
13 district shall receive shall be the sum of the Foundation Aid, the
14 Salary Incentive Aid, and the Transportation Supplement, as adjusted
15 pursuant to the provisions of subsection ~~G~~ E of this section and
16 Section 18-112.2 of this title; provided, no district having per
17 pupil revenue in excess of three hundred percent (300%) of the
18 average per pupil revenue of all districts shall receive any State
19 Aid or Supplement in State Aid.

20 The July calculation of per pupil revenue shall be determined by
21 dividing the district's second preceding year's total weighted
22 average daily membership (ADM) into the district's preceding year's
23 total revenues excluding federal revenue, insurance loss payments,
24 reimbursements, recovery of overpayments and refunds, unused

1 reserves, prior expenditures recovered, prior year surpluses, and
2 less the amount of any transfer fees paid in that year.

3 The December calculation of per pupil revenue shall be
4 determined by dividing the district's preceding year's total
5 weighted average daily membership (ADM) into the district's
6 preceding year's total revenues excluding federal revenue, insurance
7 loss payments, reimbursements, recovery of overpayments and refunds,
8 unused reserves, prior expenditures recovered, prior year surpluses,
9 and less the amount of any transfer fees paid in that year.

10 D. For the ~~1997-98~~ 2024-25 school year, and each school year
11 thereafter, Foundation Aid, the Transportation Supplement, and
12 Salary Incentive Aid shall be calculated as follows:

13 1. Foundation Aid shall be determined by subtracting the amount
14 of the Foundation Program Income from the cost of the Foundation
15 Program and adding to this difference the Transportation Supplement.

16 a. The Foundation Program shall be a district's higher
17 weighted average daily membership based on the first
18 nine (9) weeks of the current school year or the
19 preceding school year of a school district, as
20 determined by the provisions of subsection A of
21 Section 18-201.1 of this title and paragraphs 1, 2, 3,
22 and 4 of subsection B of Section 18-201.1 of this
23 title, multiplied by the Base Foundation Support
24 Level. However, for the portion of weighted

1 membership derived from nonresident, transferred
2 pupils enrolled in online courses, the Foundation
3 Program shall be a district's weighted average daily
4 membership of the preceding school year or the first
5 nine (9) weeks of the current school year, whichever
6 is greater, as determined by the provisions of
7 subsection A of Section 18-201.1 of this title and
8 paragraphs 1, 2, 3, and 4 of subsection B of Section
9 18-201.1 of this title, multiplied by the Base
10 Foundation Support Level.

11 b. The Foundation Program Income shall be the sum of the
12 following:

13 ~~(1) The adjusted assessed valuation of the current~~
14 ~~school year of the school district, minus the~~
15 ~~previous year protested ad valorem tax revenues~~
16 ~~held as prescribed in Section 2884 of Title 68 of~~
17 ~~the Oklahoma Statutes, multiplied by the mills~~
18 ~~levied~~ the amount of ad valorem tax collections
19 received by the school district from the proceeds
20 of the levy during the preceding fiscal year, as
21 levied pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 9 of
22 Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution, if
23 applicable, ~~as adjusted in subsection (c) of~~
24 ~~Section 8A of Article X of the Oklahoma~~

1 ~~Constitution. For purposes of this subsection,~~
2 ~~the "adjusted assessed valuation of the current~~
3 ~~school year" shall be the adjusted assessed~~
4 ~~valuation on which tax revenues are collected~~
5 ~~during the current school year, and~~

6 (2) ~~Seventy-five~~ seventy-five percent (75%) of the
7 amount received by the school district from the
8 proceeds of the county levy during the preceding
9 fiscal year, as levied pursuant to subsection (b)
10 of Section 9 of Article X of the Oklahoma
11 Constitution, and

12 (3) ~~Motor Vehicle Collections~~ motor vehicle
13 collections, and

14 (4) ~~Gross Production Tax~~ gross production tax, and

15 (5) ~~State Apportionment~~ state apportionment, and

16 (6) R.E.A. ~~Tax~~ tax.

17 The items listed in divisions (1), (3), (4), (5), and
18 (6) of this subparagraph shall consist of the amounts
19 actually collected from such sources during the
20 preceding fiscal year calculated on a per capita basis
21 on the unit provided for by law for the distribution
22 of each such revenue.

1 2. The Transportation Supplement shall be equal to the average
 2 daily haul times the per capita allowance times the appropriate
 3 transportation factor.

4 a. The average daily haul shall be the number of children
 5 in a district who are legally transported and who live
 6 one and one-half (1 1/2) miles or more from school.

7 b. The per capita allowance shall be determined using the
 8 following chart:

	PER CAPITA		PER CAPITA	
DENSITY FIGURE	ALLOWANCE	DENSITY FIGURE	ALLOWANCE	
.3000 - .3083	\$167.00	.9334 - .9599	\$99.00	
.3084 - .3249	\$165.00	.9600 - .9866	\$97.00	
.3250 - .3416	\$163.00	.9867 - 1.1071	\$95.00	
.3417 - .3583	\$161.00	1.1072 - 1.3214	\$92.00	
.3584 - .3749	\$158.00	1.3215 - 1.5357	\$90.00	
.3750 - .3916	\$156.00	1.5358 - 1.7499	\$88.00	
.3917 - .4083	\$154.00	1.7500 - 1.9642	\$86.00	
.4084 - .4249	\$152.00	1.9643 - 2.1785	\$84.00	
.4250 - .4416	\$150.00	2.1786 - 2.3928	\$81.00	
.4417 - .4583	\$147.00	2.3929 - 2.6249	\$79.00	
.4584 - .4749	\$145.00	2.6250 - 2.8749	\$77.00	
.4750 - .4916	\$143.00	2.8750 - 3.1249	\$75.00	
.4917 - .5083	\$141.00	3.1250 - 3.3749	\$73.00	
.5084 - .5249	\$139.00	3.3750 - 3.6666	\$70.00	

1	.5250 - .5416	\$136.00	3.6667 - 3.9999	\$68.00
2	.5417 - .5583	\$134.00	4.0000 - 4.3333	\$66.00
3	.5584 - .5749	\$132.00	4.3334 - 4.6666	\$64.00
4	.5750 - .5916	\$130.00	4.6667 - 4.9999	\$62.00
5	.5917 - .6133	\$128.00	5.0000 - 5.5000	\$59.00
6	.6134 - .6399	\$125.00	5.5001 - 6.0000	\$57.00
7	.6400 - .6666	\$123.00	6.0001 - 6.5000	\$55.00
8	.6667 - .6933	\$121.00	6.5001 - 7.0000	\$53.00
9	.6934 - .7199	\$119.00	7.0001 - 7.3333	\$51.00
10	.7200 - .7466	\$117.00	7.3334 - 7.6667	\$48.00
11	.7467 - .7733	\$114.00	7.6668 - 8.0000	\$46.00
12	.7734 - .7999	\$112.00	8.0001 - 8.3333	\$44.00
13	.8000 - .8266	\$110.00	8.3334 - 8.6667	\$42.00
14	.8267 - .8533	\$108.00	8.6668 - 9.0000	\$40.00
15	.8534 - .8799	\$106.00	9.0001 - 9.3333	\$37.00
16	.8800 - .9066	\$103.00	9.3334 - 9.6667	\$35.00
17	.9067 - .9333	\$101.00	9.6668 or more	\$33.00

18 c. The formula transportation factor shall be 1.39.

19 3. Salary Incentive Aid shall be determined as follows:

20 a. Multiply the Incentive Aid guarantee by the district's
21 higher weighted average daily membership based on the
22 first nine (9) weeks of the current school year or the
23 preceding school year of a school district, as
24 determined by the provisions of subsection A of

1 Section 18-201.1 of this title and paragraphs 1, 2, 3,
2 and 4 of subsection B of Section 18-201.1 of this
3 title.

4 b. ~~Divide the district's adjusted assessed valuation of~~
5 ~~the current school year minus the previous year's~~
6 ~~protested ad valorem tax revenues held as prescribed~~
7 ~~in Section 2884 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes,~~
8 ~~by one thousand (1,000) and subtract the quotient from~~
9 ~~the product of subparagraph a of this paragraph. The~~
10 ~~remainder shall not be less than zero (0) Subtract the~~
11 ~~amount received by the school district from the~~
12 ~~proceeds of the levy during the preceding fiscal year,~~
13 ~~as levied pursuant to subsection (c) of Section 9 of~~
14 ~~Article X of the Oklahoma Constitution above the~~
15 ~~fifteen (15) mills required to support Foundation Aid~~
16 ~~pursuant to division (1) of subparagraph b of~~
17 ~~paragraph 1 of this subsection, not including the~~
18 ~~county four-mill levy, by the product of subparagraph~~
19 ~~a of this paragraph. The remainder shall not be less~~
20 ~~than zero and shall be the Salary Incentive Aid of the~~
21 ~~district.~~

22 e. ~~Multiply the number of mills levied for general fund~~
23 ~~purposes above the fifteen (15) mills required to~~
24 ~~support Foundation Aid pursuant to division (1) of~~

1 ~~subparagraph b of paragraph 1 of this subsection, not~~
2 ~~including the county four-mill levy, by the remainder~~
3 ~~of subparagraph b of this paragraph. The product~~
4 ~~shall be the Salary Incentive Aid of the district.~~

5 ~~E. By June 30, 1998, the State Department of Education shall~~
6 ~~develop and the Department and all school districts shall have~~
7 ~~implemented a student identification system which is consistent with~~
8 ~~the provisions of subsections C and D of Section 3111 of Title 74 of~~
9 ~~the Oklahoma Statutes. The student identification system shall be~~
10 ~~used specifically for the purpose of reporting enrollment data by~~
11 ~~school sites and by school districts, the administration of the~~
12 ~~Oklahoma School Testing Program Act, the collection of appropriate~~
13 ~~and necessary data pursuant to the Oklahoma Educational Indicators~~
14 ~~Program, determining student enrollment, establishing a student~~
15 ~~mobility rate, allocation of the State Aid Formula and midyear~~
16 ~~adjustments in funding for student growth. This enrollment data~~
17 ~~shall be submitted to the State Department of Education in~~
18 ~~accordance with rules promulgated by the State Board of Education.~~
19 ~~Funding for the development, implementation, personnel training and~~
20 ~~maintenance of the student identification system shall be set out in~~
21 ~~a separate line item in the allocation section of the appropriation~~
22 ~~bill for the State Board of Education for each year.~~

23 ~~F. 1. In the event that ad valorem taxes of a school district~~
24 ~~are determined to be uncollectible because of bankruptcy, clerical~~

1 ~~error, or a successful tax protest, and the amount of such taxes~~
2 ~~deemed uncollectible exceeds Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) or~~
3 ~~an amount greater than twenty-five percent (25%) of ad valorem taxes~~
4 ~~per tax year, or the valuation of a district is lowered by order of~~
5 ~~the State Board of Equalization, the school district's State Aid,~~
6 ~~for the school year that such ad valorem taxes are calculated in the~~
7 ~~State Aid Formula, shall be determined by subtracting the net~~
8 ~~assessed valuation of the property upon which taxes were deemed~~
9 ~~uncollectible from the assessed valuation of the school district and~~
10 ~~the state. Upon request of the local board of education, it shall~~
11 ~~be the duty of the county assessor to certify to the Director of~~
12 ~~Finance of the State Department of Education the net assessed~~
13 ~~valuation of the property upon which taxes were determined~~
14 ~~uncollectible.~~

15 ~~2. In the event that the amount of funds a school district~~
16 ~~receives for reimbursement from the Ad Valorem Reimbursement Fund is~~
17 ~~less than the amount of funds claimed for reimbursement by the~~
18 ~~school district due to insufficiency of funds as provided in Section~~
19 ~~193 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes, then the school district's~~
20 ~~assessed valuation for the school year that such ad valorem~~
21 ~~reimbursement is calculated in the State Aid Formula shall be~~
22 ~~adjusted accordingly.~~

23 ~~G.~~ 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 18-112.2 of
24 this title, a school district shall have its State Aid reduced by an

1 amount equal to the amount of carryover in the general fund of the
 2 district as of June 30 of the preceding fiscal year, that is in
 3 excess of the following standards for two (2) consecutive years:

4	Total Amount of	Amount of
5	General Fund Collections,	General Fund
6	Excluding Previous Year	Balance
7	Cash Surplus as of June 30	Allowable
8	Less than \$1,000,000	48%
9	\$1,000,000 - \$2,999,999	42%
10	\$3,000,000 - \$3,999,999	36%
11	\$4,000,000 - \$4,999,999	30%
12	\$5,000,000 - \$5,999,999	24%
13	\$6,000,000 - \$7,999,999	22%
14	\$8,000,000 - \$9,999,999	19%
15	\$10,000,000 or more	17%

16 2. By February 1 the State Department of Education shall send
 17 by certified mail, with return receipt requested, to each ~~School~~
 18 ~~District Superintendent, Auditor and Regional Accreditation Officer~~
 19 school district superintendent, auditor, and regional accreditation
 20 officer a notice of and calculation sheet reflecting the general
 21 fund balance penalty to be assessed against that school district.
 22 Calculation of the general fund balance penalty shall not include
 23 federal revenue. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of this written
 24 notice the school district shall submit to the Department a written

1 reply either accepting or protesting the penalty to be assessed
2 against the district. If protesting, the school district shall
3 submit with its reply the reasons for rejecting the calculations and
4 documentation supporting those reasons. The Department shall review
5 all school district penalty protest documentation and notify each
6 district by March 15 of its finding and the final penalty to be
7 assessed to each district. General fund balance penalties shall be
8 assessed to all school districts by April 1.

9 3. Any school district which receives proceeds from a tax
10 settlement or a Federal Emergency Management Agency settlement
11 during the last two (2) months of the preceding fiscal year shall be
12 exempt from the penalties assessed in this subsection, if the
13 penalty would occur solely as a result of receiving funds from the
14 tax settlement.

15 4. Any school district which receives an increase in State Aid
16 because of a change in Foundation Aid and/or Salary Incentive Aid
17 factors during the last two (2) months of the preceding fiscal year
18 shall be exempt from the penalties assessed in this subsection, if
19 the penalty would occur solely as a result of receiving funds from
20 the increase in State Aid.

21 5. If a school district does not receive Foundation Aid and/or
22 Salary Incentive Aid during the preceding fiscal year, the State
23 Board of Education may waive the penalty assessed in this subsection
24 if the penalty would result in a loss of more than forty percent

1 (40%) of the remaining State Aid to be allocated to the school
2 district between April 1 and the remainder of the school year and if
3 the Board determines the penalty will cause the school district not
4 to meet remaining financial obligations.

5 6. Any school district which receives gross production revenue
6 apportionment during the 2002-2003 school year or in any subsequent
7 school year that is greater than the gross production revenue
8 apportionment of the preceding school year shall be exempt from the
9 penalty assessed in this subsection, if the penalty would occur
10 solely as a result of the gross production revenue apportionment, as
11 determined by the State Board of Education.

12 7. Beginning July 1, 2003, school districts that participate in
13 consolidation or annexation pursuant to the provisions of the
14 Oklahoma School ~~Voluntary~~ Consolidation and Annexation Act shall be
15 exempt from the penalty assessed in this subsection for the school
16 year in which the consolidation or annexation occurs and for the
17 next three (3) fiscal years.

18 8. ~~Any school district which receives proceeds from a sales tax~~
19 ~~levied by a municipality pursuant to Section 22-159 of Title 11 of~~
20 ~~the Oklahoma Statutes or proceeds from a sales tax levied by a~~
21 ~~county pursuant to Section 1370 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes~~
22 ~~during the 2003-2004 school year or the 2004-2005 school year shall~~
23 ~~be exempt from the penalties assessed in this subsection, if the~~

1 ~~penalty would occur solely as a result of receiving funds from the~~
2 ~~sales tax levy.~~

3 ~~9.~~ Any school district which has an amount of carryover in the
4 general fund of the district in excess of the limits established in
5 paragraph 1 of this subsection during the fiscal years beginning
6 July 1, 2020, July 1, 2021, July 1, 2022, and July 1, 2023, shall
7 not be assessed a general fund balance penalty as provided for in
8 this subsection.

9 ~~10.~~ 9. For purposes of calculating the general fund balance
10 penalty, the terms "carryover" and "general fund balance" shall not
11 include federal revenue.

12 ~~H.~~ F. In order to provide startup funds for the implementation
13 of early childhood programs, State Aid may be advanced to school
14 districts that initially start early childhood instruction at a
15 school site. School districts that desire such advanced funding
16 shall make application to the State Department of Education no later
17 than September 15 of each year and advanced funding shall be awarded
18 to the approved districts no later than October 30. The advanced
19 funding shall not exceed the per pupil amount of State Aid as
20 calculated in subsection D of this section per anticipated Head
21 Start eligible student. The total amount of advanced funding shall
22 be proportionately reduced from the monthly payments of the
23 district's State Aid payments during the last six (6) months of the
24 same fiscal year.

1 ~~4.~~ G. 1. Beginning July 1, 1996, the Oklahoma Tax Commission,
2 notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, shall report
3 monthly to the State Department of Education the monthly
4 apportionment of the following information:

- 5 a. the ~~assessed valuation of property~~ ad valorem tax
6 collections,
- 7 b. motor vehicle collections,
- 8 c. R.E.A. tax collected, and
- 9 d. gross productions tax collected.

10 ~~2. Beginning July 1, 1997, the State Auditor and Inspector's~~
11 ~~Office, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, shall~~
12 ~~report monthly to the State Department of Education the monthly~~
13 ~~apportionment of the proceeds of the county levy.~~

14 ~~3.~~ Beginning July 1, 1996, the Commissioners of the Land
15 Office, notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, shall
16 report monthly to the State Department of Education the monthly
17 apportionment of state apportionment.

18 ~~4. Beginning July 1, 1997, the county treasurers' offices,~~
19 ~~notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, shall report~~
20 ~~monthly to the State Department of Education the ad valorem tax~~
21 ~~protest amounts for each county.~~

22 ~~5.~~ 3. The information reported by the Tax Commission, ~~the State~~
23 ~~Auditor and Inspector's Office, the county treasurers' offices and~~
24 the Commissioners of the Land Office, pursuant to this subsection

1 shall be reported by school district on forms developed by the State
2 Department of Education.

3 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 18-201.1, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 Section 18-201.1. A. Beginning with the 2020-21 school year,
6 and each school year thereafter, the weighted membership of a school
7 district for calculation of Foundation Aid purposes pursuant to
8 paragraph 1 of subsection D of Section 18-200.1 of this title shall
9 be the sum of the weighted pupil grade level calculation, the
10 weighted pupil category calculation, the weighted district
11 calculation, and the weighted teacher experience and degree
12 calculation. The weighted membership of a school district for
13 calculation of Salary Incentive Aid purposes pursuant to paragraph 3
14 of subsection D of Section 18-200.1 of this title shall be the sum
15 of the weighted pupil grade level calculation, the weighted pupil
16 category calculation, the weighted district calculation, and the
17 weighted teacher experience and degree calculation.

18 B. Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, the weighted
19 calculations provided for in subsection A of this section shall be
20 based on the higher weighted average daily membership of the first
21 nine (9) weeks of the current school year or the preceding school
22 year of a school district, unless otherwise specified. The higher
23 of the two (2) weighted average daily memberships shall be used
24 consistently in all of the calculations; however, the weighted

1 calculation for a statewide virtual charter school experiencing a
2 significant decline in membership shall be based on the first nine
3 (9) weeks of the current school year for the statewide virtual
4 charter school. For purposes of this subsection, "significant
5 decline in membership" means equal to or greater than a fifteen
6 percent (15%) decrease in average daily membership from the
7 preceding school year to the average daily membership of the first
8 nine (9) weeks of the current school year. The average daily
9 membership data used for all calculations in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, and
10 4 of this subsection shall be the same as used in the calculation of
11 the State Aid Formula. The weighted calculations provided for in
12 subsection A of this section shall be determined as follows:

13 1. The weighted pupil grade level calculation shall be
14 determined by taking the highest average daily membership and
15 assigning weights to the pupils according to grade attended as
16 follows:

17	GRADE LEVEL	WEIGHT
18	a. Half-day early childhood programs	.7
19	b. Full-day early childhood programs	1.3
20	c. Half-day kindergarten	1.3
21	d. Full-day kindergarten	1.5
22	e. First and second grade	1.351
23	f. Third grade	1.051
24	g. Fourth through sixth grade	1.0

1	a.	Visual Impairment	3.8
2	b.	Specific Learning Disability	.4
3	c.	Deafness or Hearing Impairment	2.9
4	d.	Deaf-Blindness	3.8
5	e.	Intellectual Disability	1.3
6	f.	Emotional Disturbance	2.5
7	g.	Gifted	.34
8	h.	Multiple Disabilities	2.4
9	i.	Orthopedic Impairment	1.2
10	j.	Speech or Language Impairment	.05
11	k.	Bilingual	.25
12	l.	Special Education Summer Program	1.2
13	m.	Economically Disadvantaged	.25
14	n.	Optional Extended School Year	
15		Program	As determined by
16			the State Board
17			of Education
18	o.	Autism	2.4
19	p.	Traumatic Brain Injury	2.4
20	q.	Other Health Impairment	1.2

21 Except as otherwise provided, multiply the number of pupils approved
22 in the school year with the highest average daily membership in each
23 category by the weight assigned to such category and add the totals
24 together to determine the weighted pupil category calculation for a

1 school district. For the 1997-98 school year and subsequent school
2 years, the number to be multiplied by the weight assigned to the
3 gifted category in subparagraph g of this paragraph shall be the
4 lesser of (1) the sum of the number of students who scored in the
5 top three percent (3%) on any national standardized test of
6 intellectual ability plus the number of students identified as
7 gifted pursuant to subparagraphs a through d of paragraph 1 of
8 Section 1210.301 of this title, or (2) the sum of the number of
9 students who scored in the top three percent (3%) on any national
10 standardized test of intellectual ability plus eight percent (8%) of
11 the total average daily membership of the school district for the
12 first nine (9) weeks of the school year.

13 3. The weighted district calculation shall be determined by
14 determining the calculations for each school district for both the
15 small school district formula and the district sparsity - isolation
16 formula, applying whichever is the greater of the calculations of
17 the two formulas and then applying the restrictions pursuant to
18 subparagraph c of this paragraph.

19 a. Small school district formula: $529 \text{ minus the average}$
20 $\text{daily membership divided by } 529 \text{ times } .2 \text{ times total}$
21 $\text{average daily membership.}$

22 The small school district formula calculation shall apply
23 only to school districts whose highest average daily
24 membership is less than 529 pupils. School districts which

1 are consolidated or annexed after July 1, 2003, pursuant to
2 the Oklahoma School ~~Voluntary~~ Consolidation and Annexation
3 Act shall have the weighted district size calculation for
4 the three (3) school years following the fiscal year in
5 which such consolidation occurred calculated to be the sum
6 of the individual consolidated districts computed as if the
7 consolidation had not taken place. Thereafter, any such
8 district which is consolidated pursuant to the Oklahoma
9 School ~~Voluntary~~ Consolidation and Annexation Act shall not
10 qualify for the weighted district calculation unless the
11 district can satisfy the specifications herein. Subject to
12 the provisions of subparagraph c of this paragraph, the
13 resulting number shall be counted as additional students
14 for the purpose of calculating State Aid.

15 b. District sparsity - isolation formula:

16 The district sparsity - isolation formula calculation shall
17 apply only to school districts:

18 (1) whose total area in square miles is greater than
19 the average number of square miles for all school
20 districts in this state; and

21 (2) whose areal density is less than one-fourth (1/4)
22 of the state average areal density. Areal
23 density shall be determined by dividing the
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1 school district's average daily membership by the
2 school district's total area in square miles.
3 The district sparsity - isolation formula calculation shall
4 be calculated as follows:

5 The school district student cost factor multiplied by
6 the school district area factor. The resulting
7 product shall be multiplied by the school district's
8 average daily membership. Subject to the provisions
9 of subparagraph c of this paragraph, the resulting
10 number shall be counted as additional students for the
11 purpose of calculating State Aid.

12 The school district student cost factor shall be calculated
13 as follows:

14 The school district's average daily membership shall
15 be categorized into the following grade level groups
16 and applied to the appropriate formulas as computed
17 below:

18 Grade Level Group

19 Grades K-5 Divide 74 by the sum of the Grade
20 Level ADM plus 23,
21 add .85 to the quotient, then
22 multiply the sum by the Grade
23 Level ADM.

24 Grades 6-8 Divide 122 by the sum of the Grade

1 Level ADM plus 133,
2 add .85 to the quotient, then
3 multiply the sum by the Grade
4 Level ADM.

5 Grades 9-12 Divide 292 by the sum of the Grade
6 Level ADM plus 128,
7 add .78 to the quotient, then
8 multiply the sum by the Grade
9 Level ADM.

10 The sum of the grade level group's average daily
11 membership shall be divided by the school district's
12 average daily membership. The number one (1.0) shall
13 be subtracted from the resulting quotient.

14 The school district area cost factor shall be calculated as
15 follows:

16 Subtract the state average district area from the
17 district area, then divide the remainder by the state
18 average district area;

19 however, the district area cost factor shall not exceed one
20 (1.0).

21 The State Board of Education shall define geographical barriers
22 whose location in a school district would inhibit the district from
23 consolidation or annexation. The Board shall make available an
24 application process, review applications, and for districts the

1 Board deems necessary allow additional square miles to be used for
2 the purposes of calculations used for the weighted district sparsity
3 - isolation formula. Provided, that the additional square miles
4 allowed for geographical barriers shall not exceed thirty percent
5 (30%) of the district's actual size.

6 c. State Aid funds which a district is calculated to
7 receive as a result of the weighted district
8 calculation shall be restricted as follows:

9 If, after the weighted district calculation is
10 applied, the district's projected per pupil
11 revenue exceeds one hundred fifty percent (150%)
12 of the projected state average per pupil revenue,
13 then the district's State Aid shall be reduced by
14 an amount that will restrict the district's
15 projected per pupil revenue to one hundred fifty
16 percent (150%) of the projected state average per
17 pupil revenue. Provided, in applying the
18 restriction provided in this division, the
19 district's State Aid shall not be reduced by an
20 amount greater than by the amount of State Aid
21 which was generated by the weighted district
22 calculation.

23 The July calculation of the projected per pupil
24 revenue shall be determined by dividing the district's

1 preceding year's average daily membership (ADM) as
2 weighted by the pupil grade level, the pupil category,
3 the district and the teacher experience degree index
4 calculations for projected State Aid into the
5 district's projected total revenues including
6 projected funds for the State Aid Formula for the
7 preceding year, ~~net assessed valuation~~ the amount
8 received by the school district from ad valorem tax
9 collections for the preceding calendar year ~~times~~
10 ~~thirty-nine (39) mills~~, county revenues excluding the
11 county four-mills revenues for the second preceding
12 year, other state appropriations for the preceding
13 year, and the collections for the preceding year of
14 state apportionment, motor vehicle revenue, gross
15 production tax, and R.E.A. tax.

16 The December calculation of the projected per pupil
17 revenue shall be determined by dividing the higher of
18 the district's first nine (9) weeks of the current
19 school year or the preceding school year's average
20 daily membership (ADM) as weighted by the pupil grade
21 level, the pupil category, the district and the
22 teacher experience degree index calculations for
23 projected State Aid into the district's projected
24 total revenues including funds for the December

1 calculation of the current year State Aid Formula, ~~net~~
2 ~~assessed valuation~~ the amount received by the school
3 district from ad valorem tax collections for the
4 ~~current calendar~~ preceding fiscal year ~~times thirty-~~
5 ~~nine (39) mills~~, county revenues excluding the county
6 four-mills revenue for the preceding year, other state
7 appropriations for the preceding year, and the
8 collections for the preceding year of state
9 apportionment, motor vehicle revenue, gross production
10 tax, and R.E.A. tax.

11 The district's projected total revenues for each
12 calculation shall exclude the following collections
13 for the second preceding year: federal revenue,
14 insurance loss payments, reimbursements, recovery of
15 overpayments and refunds, unused reserves, prior
16 expenditures recovered, prior year surpluses, and
17 other local miscellaneous revenues.

18 4. The weighted teacher experience and degree calculation shall
19 be determined in accordance with the teacher experience and degree
20 index. The State Department of Education shall determine an index
21 for each state teacher by using data supplied in the school
22 district's teacher personnel reports of the preceding year and
23 utilizing the index as follows:

24 TEACHER EXPERIENCE - DEGREE INDEX

1	EXPERIENCE	BACHELOR' S	MASTER' S	DOCTOR' S
2		DEGREE	DEGREE	DEGREE
3	0 - 2	.7	.9	1.1
4	3 - 5	.8	1.0	1.2
5	6 - 8	.9	1.1	1.3
6	9 - 11	1.0	1.2	1.4
7	12 - 15	1.1	1.3	1.5
8	Over 15	1.2	1.4	1.6

9 The school district teacher index for each school district shall
10 be determined by subtracting the weighted average state teacher from
11 the weighted average district teacher. Multiply the school district
12 teacher index if greater than zero by .7 and then multiply that
13 product by the sum of the district's weighted pupil grade level
14 calculation provided in paragraph 1 of this subsection and the
15 weighted pupil category calculation provided in subparagraph m of
16 paragraph 2 of this subsection to determine the weighted teacher
17 experience and degree calculation.

18 SECTION 4. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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